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SUBJECT: CCMS: EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES MEETING

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1. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES SCIOFF ACTION IN DELIVERING INVITATION FOR SUBJECT MEETING AND EXPLAINING PURPOSE OF NATO/CCMS ACTIVITIES TO SOVIET MOH. SEMENOV, ALONG WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF SEVERAL OTHER NON-NATO COUNTRIES, WAS PRESENT AS OBSERVER AT LAST CCMS/EMS MEETING, HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH LARGER HEW-SPONSORED EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES CONFERENCE, MAY 10-12, 1976, BALTIMORE. DETAILS REF A.

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2. ALL DELEGATES AND OBSERVERS FROM BALTIMORE MEETING HAVE BEEN INVITED TO MONTPELLIER; PLANS FOR 1977 MEETING WERE DISCUSSED AND APPROVED AT THAT TIME. AT MONTPELLIER, DISCUSSION WILL FOCUS ON FUTURE OF EMS PROJECT, INCLUDING POSSIBILITY OF SPONSORSHIP BY WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION COPENHAGEN OFFICE. THIS IS IN LINE WITH CCMS GUIDELINES UNDER WHICH PROJECTS ARE DESIGNED FOR

TWO YEAR ACTIVE PHASE, TWO YEAR FOLLOW-UP PHASE WITH
EXPECTATION THAT SUCCESSFUL PROJECTS WILL BE TAKEN OVER
BY OTHER APPROPRIATE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. THIS

MAY BE OF INTEREST TO SOVIET MOH IN EVALUATING INVITATION.

3. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S GENERAL VIEWS
ON DESIRABILITY OF INVITING SOVIET PARTICIPATION IN
CCMS ACTIVITIES. BECAUSE CCMS ATTEMPTS TO POOL INTERNA-
TIONAL EXPERTISE IN SEEKING SOLUTIONS TO COMMON PROBLEMS
OF INDUSTRIALIZED SOCIETIES, DEPARTMENT WOULD CONSIDER
SOVIET INPUT VALUABLE. HOWEVER, EMBASSY'S PRESPECTIVE
ON THIS QUESTION WOULD BE USEFUL IN FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS
OF POSSIBLE SOVIET PARTICIPATION. VANCE

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